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Ms. Cindy Emmons
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Dear Ms. Emmons:

Re: <u>Kennecott/DOGM Joint Annual Reclamation Plan, Bingham Mine, M/035/002, Salt Lake County, Utah</u>

The Division would like to take this opportunity to commend Kennecott Utah Copper (KUC) on the efforts made in the preparation and implementation of the 1990 Joint Annual Reclamation Plan. It was certainly the most comprehensive and well formulated plan we have seen since the approval of the original 1978 Bingham Canyon permit. The Division hopes that KUC will continue in the same vein during the 1991 reclamation season with respect to the annual plan's development and implementation.

In order to fulfill the original intent of the reclamation agreement made between Kennecott and the Division, it will be necessary to maintain the dialogue between Division staff and Kennecott staff, regarding the type of reclamation and research to be developed for each reclamation year.

Pursuant to the agreement made in the original September 28, 1978 Reclamation Contract, the Division would like to establish a schedule for the implementation of paragraph 6. Paragraph 6 reads as follows: "The operator further agrees to work jointly with the Division in establishing annual reclamation plans for each forthcoming year. Said plan will be subject to review of the Board. Consideration will be given to the annual report of the previous year in establishing such plans".

I hope we can agree on the 1991 annual reclamation plan, such that we may mutually brief the Board at the March 28, 1991 meeting.

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To facilitate these objectives, we would like to schedule a meeting with you and your staff at your earliest convenience. Please contact me, Wayne Hedberg, or Holland Shepherd of my staff regarding an appropriate date for this meeting.

Thank you, in advance, for your continued cooperation and assistance. We look forward to working together with you on this project in the near future.

Sincerely,

Lowell P. Braxton

Associate Director, Mining

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